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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Project USEFUL Interview with Maj. Gen. J. T. Kingsley, Jr.,
USAF

1. On 28 May 1964 I interviewed Maj. Gen. Kingsley regarding Project USEFUL.
2. In response to a query whether the increased knowledge of CIA gained in USEFUL would facilitate his working with CIA, Gen. Kingsley stated that he felt very definitely "yes". He said that gaining an understanding of the breakdown of the Agency and knowing what components carried out particular functions would be of considerable assistance in dealing with his staff in the Pentagon. He also said that knowing to whom requests go will enable him to better understand the results received.
3. When asked if he now had a better appreciation of CIA's requirements for operational support from the Department of Defense, Gen. Kingsley stated that he now has a much clearer understanding of the Agency's need for DOD support. He said that the increased knowledge of the Agency to him made the Agency a real headquarters and not just a building "over there in Langley".
4. Gen. Kingsley stated that in his day-to-day work he would find that Project USEFUL would serve him in his duties. He explained this by stating that he now is better informed and will be able to direct his staff more explicitly in any communications that they may have with CIA.

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5. Gen. Kingsley, when asked if there were any organizations or functions which the briefing had not covered in sufficient detail, suggested that we might have been more clear in explaining what the component "plans for". He suggested that in a functional briefing we attempt to give one or two concret examples, either actual or fictional. He suggested that we could take approximately two-thirds of the time to give the functional briefing and use the remaining one-third for examples of one type or another.

6. When asked for suggestions to improve the CIA briefing, Gen. Kingsley suggested the following:

a. Mixing of Flag and General rank officers with the field grades inhibits questions.

b. He felt that a briefing of General and Flag rank officers as a group would likely bring about a freer exchange of questions.

c. He suggested a possible USEFUL tailored to the Flag and General rank officers' jobs. He said he realized that it would be very difficult to get a group composed of only General officers.

7. Gen. Kingsley concluded by stating that he was interested more in the field setup. He was interested in knowing more about the



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